



*Executive Department  
State of Idaho*

*The Office of the Governor*  
***Proclamation***

*State Capitol  
Boise*

*WHEREAS, all children in Idaho should have access to the highest-quality schools possible, no matter where they live in Idaho; and*

*WHEREAS, Idaho has a multitude of high-quality public schools, public charter schools, public virtual/digital schools and non-public schools; and*

*WHEREAS, there remains a waiting list of Idaho students that seek access to Idaho public Charter Schools; and*

*WHEREAS, Idaho parents want expanded public school options that meet the needs of their children; and*

*WHEREAS, citizens across Idaho agree that improving the quality of education in Idaho and expanding access to great schools should be an issue of importance to our state's leaders; and*

*WHEREAS, the vital cause of school improvement is one that transcends ideology and political party affiliation; and*

*WHEREAS, research in Idaho and across our nation demonstrates conclusively that providing children with multiple education options improves academic performance;*

*NOW, THEREFOR, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim February 6, 2013 to be*

***IDAHO SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK***

*in Idaho.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty third.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", is written over a horizontal line.

**C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR**

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Yursa", is written over a horizontal line.

**BEN YURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE**